

EXTENSIONS AND SUPPLEMENTS

§ 63.01 Contents of applications for domestic common carriers.

Except as otherwise provided in this part, any party proposing to undertake any construction of a new line, extension of any line, acquisition, lease, or operation of any line or extension thereof or engage in transmission over or by means of such line, and such line originates and terminates in the United States, for which authority is required under the provisions of Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, shall request such authority by formal application which shall be accompanied by a statement showing how the proposed construction, etc., will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Such statement must include the following information as applicable:

(a) The name and address of each applicant;

(b) The Government, State, or Territory under the laws of which each corporate applicant is organized;

(c) The name, title, and post office address of the officer to whom correspondence concerning the application is to be addressed;

(d) A statement as to whether the applicant is a carrier subject to section 214 of the Act or will become such a carrier as a result of the proposed construction, acquisition, or operation;

(e) A statement as to whether the facilities covered by the application will be used to extend communication service into territory at present not directly served by the applicant or to supplement existing facilities of the applicant, and the nature and classification of the communication services to be provided (e.g. telephone, telegraph, facsimile, data, private line, voice, television relay, etc.);

(f) The points between which the proposed facilities are to be located;

(g) A description of applicant's existing facilities between these points, showing specifically the total number of channels presently provided between major points on each principal route;

(h) A description of the facilities for which authority is requested, including:

(1) The number of channels of each type to be provided by such facilities;

(2) The number, if any, of wires, conductors, and coaxial units of each type (not equipped for immediate operation) capable of providing additional channels of communication only by the construction of additional apparatus, equipment, or other facilities;

(3) The types of classes of toll telephone or telegraph offices to be established;

(i) Applicant's present and estimated future requirements, both for the route of the proposed facilities and for routes from which any rerouting to the proposed facilities is contemplated within the period of the estimate. Where 60 domestic circuits or more are to be derived from the proposed construction, acquisition, or lease, list the principal circuit groups currently operated, the number of circuits in each group, and the estimate number of circuits required in each group to meet the load demands for the ensuing one year, two year, or five year period, as may be appropriate in order to provide adequate justification for said increases, including current traffic load trends, as indicated by periodic traffic load studies.

(j) A map or sketch showing:

(1) Route of proposed project;

(2) Type and ownership of structures (open wire, aerial cable, underground cable, carrier systems, etc.);

(3) Facilities, if any, to be removed;

(4) Cities, towns, and villages along routes indicated on map or sketch, with approximate population of each, and route kilometers between the principal points;

(5) Location of important operating centers, and repeater or relay points;

(6) State boundary lines through which the proposed facilities will extend;

(7) Topographical features which may require special consideration or entail added cost;

(k) One or more of the following statements, as pertinent:

(1) If proposed facilities are to be constructed, the details thereof, including summary of cost estimates separately by Plant Accounts affected (in case of construction by or for two or more parties, the quantities of facilities of each kind acquired by each and

the cost attributed thereto), quantities and cost of major materials; and amount of labor and cost thereof;

(2) If proposed facilities are to be leased, the details thereof, including the name of the lessor, a summary of the terms of the lease arrangements (or a copy of the lease), the anticipated lease rental, setting up charges, added equipment costs, and each other added cost to the applicant;

(3) If proposed facilities are to be purchased, the name of the vendor; a detailed description of all the properties involved including assets other than plant being acquired in connection with the same transaction; a complete description of the contractual arrangements relating to the sale or a copy of the contract; added equipment cost and each other added cost to the applicant; a statement of the original cost of, and the related reserve requirement for depreciation applicable to, the plant to be acquired (with a full explanation of the manner in which these amounts were determined) including, when appropriate, a separate statement of such amounts applicable to duplicate or other plant which will be retired by the vendee in the reconstruction of the acquired property or its consolidation with previously owned property; and a statement of the estimated annual savings in expenses expected to result from the proposed acquisition;

(4) If facilities are to be acquired or operated other than by lease or purchase a detailed description of the facilities involved; the terms of the contract or other arrangement relating to such acquisition or operation; added equipment costs; and each other added cost to the applicant;

(l) A summary of the factors showing the public need for the proposed facilities;

(m) Economic justification for the proposed project including, where the application involves an extension into new territory at present not directly served by the applicant, estimated added revenues and costs and the basis therefor;

(n) Description of the manner and means by which interstate and foreign communication services of a similar

character are now being rendered by the applicant and others in the area to be served by the proposed facilities, including reasons why existing facilities are inadequate;

(o) Proposed tariff charges and regulations for domestic applications;

(p) A statement of the accounting proposed to be performed in connection with the project. If the facilities are to be acquired by purchase, such proposed accounting shall be presented in journal entry form (on an estimated basis if actual amounts are not available), together with a full explanation of the manner in which the respective amounts were determined.

(q) A statement whether an authorization of the facilities is categorically excluded as defined by §1.1306 of the Commission's rules. If answered affirmatively, an environmental assessment as described in §1.1311 need not be filed with the application.

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§63.02 Special provisions relating to extensions involving small projects.

Applications involving extension of service into domestic territory at present not directly served by the applicant by the construction, acquisition, or operation of facilities, the cost of which to the applicant does not exceed \$50,000 or the annual rental of which does not exceed \$10,000, may omit the information called for by §63.01 that is clearly not relevant to such extension. (Normally the information required by §63.01 (h)(1), (h)(2), (i), (j), and (k)(1) may be omitted.) At minimum, the application shall contain a general description of the existing and proposed facilities, points of service, and cost.

(Sec. 303, 48 Stat. 1082, as amended; 47 U.S.C. 303)

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